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outside city limits; 2, sewerage system to be remodeled; 3, certain houses to be raised and lots filled to street grade; 4, all old houses to be whitewashed within and without; 5, empty lots to be drained and filled; 6, privy vaults abolished and portable ones used until connection with sewers can be effected.

Many of these recommendations are already being enforced, and a large gang of laborers is daily at work cleaning up the city.

An active quarantine is in force against Bocas del Toro, where smallpox was reported several weeks ago. All passengers and crews from there are vaccinated and detained in quarantine on a little island 1 mile from the shore for a period necessary to complete fourteen days from departure from Bocas. Compulsory vaccination of the entire population has been ordered and is being vigorously enforced.

Malaria in all its types is ever present, fully 1,500 cases occurring in one hospital within twelve months.

The hemoglobinuric type, called here "black-water fever," is very frequent and more fatal than yellow fever.

Tuberculosis is also very common.

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Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels—Mortality statistics—Scarcity of water.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, April 29, as follows:
Week ended April 25, 1903.

Five bills of health were issued to vessels going to ports in the United States. All the vessels were in good sanitary condition; no sickness.

The mortuary report for the city for this week is as follows: Arteriosclerosis 3, pernicious fever 1, paludism 1, tuberculosis 1, other causes 8; total 14.

It remains very dry here and good water is getting very scarce in this city. No quarantinable disease reported in this district.

Report from Habana—Smallpox on Spanish steamship Montserrat at Habana—Disinfection.

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, May 4, as follows:

The Spanish steamship *Montserrat* from Spain, Canary Islands, and Porto Rico, arrived at this port on May 1 with one case of smallpox among the steerage passengers. The first and second class passengers presenting evidence of having had smallpox or a recent successful vaccination were released. All remaining cabin passengers, unprotected, were sent to Tricornia detention camp for fourteen days' observation, and all of the steerage passengers were sent to Mariel and will be held there for fourteen days.

Upon request of Dr. Hugo Roberts, executive officer of the Cuban quarantine service, I brought the *Sanator* alongside of the *Montserrat* and disinfected the hospital and the adjoining steerage compartments by sulphur and the bedding by steam. The hand baggage of all passengers was disinfected by formalin. The *Sanator* returned to her buoy on the 2d instant.